## COPY OF ROBERT LINCOLN'S TESTIMONY HERE

When Robert T. Lincoln, chairman board of directors Pullman Co., testified before the U. S. industrial relations commission in Washington he was asked about connections between the Marshall Field estate and the Pullman Co. Lincoln didn't like to answer.

The record of his testimony which has arrived at the commission headquarters in the Transportation bldg. shows Lincoln giving slippery answers.

"Does Marshall Field & Co. own any stock in the Pullman Co.?" he was asked by Chairman Frank P. Walsh.

"Not that I know of," said the wit-

"Does the Marshall Field estate own any stock in the Pullman Co.?"

"That's different," said Lincoln.
"There's a difference between the
two, you know. It is very likely that
the Marshall Field estate does own
stock."

One of the most slippery answers was on where porters and conductors buy their uniforms. When Gen. Manager Hungerford testified in Chicago he came straight out and said that all porters and conductors who work for the Pullman Co. buy their uniforms from Marshall Field & Co. Former workers for the company also said that all porters and conductors who want to keep their jobs buy their uniforms from Fields.

When Lincoln was asked if the company system requires all porters and conductors to buy from Marshall Field & Co., he replied:

"I believe a good many of the men purchase them there."

Com. Weinstock asked whether negro porters of efficiency are often sent up to higher jobs. Lincoln replied:

"Perhaps some of them are. Not

many, naturally."

"So it is known as a sort of blind alley job?"

"I guess that's true."

Com. Garretson: "What happens to a Pullman porter when he is injured?"

Lincoln: "Oh, he is taken care of.

I would not care to go into details as
to just how he is taken care of."

Garretson: "In the even that he is killed, what compensation goes to his family?"

Lincoln: "Both conductors and porters have societies of their own and they contribute to a death benefit for the widow."

Witness said it is fair to deduct from porter's wages for linen lost on the cars. Between \$60,000 and \$70,-000 was collected from porters for lost linen last year.

Com. Garretson figured it would cost the company over \$1,000,000 a year more on its payroll if it paid all its porters the difference between \$27.50 a month and a living wage.

## SAYINGS OF A WISE PUP



City Clerk John Siman will make clean-out of his employes.

Criterion theater, 1220 Sedgwick, attacked by fire. \$1,000 loss.

P. J. McKenna, attorney board of local improvements, resigned. Running for circuit court judge.